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SUBJECT: PORTUGUESE ARMY OFFICERS WORKING FOR FNLA

CINCLANT AND CINCEUR FOR POLADS

1. PORTUGUESE MILITARY SOURCES HAVE CONFIRMED THAT A "LARGE NUMBER" OF WHITE PORTUGUESE ARMY OFFICERS RECENTLY PURGED FOR POLITICAL UNRELIABILITY BY THE ARMED FORCES MOVEMENT HAVE SURFACED IN ZAIRE AS CADRE FOR FNLA. THESE OFFICERS ARE BEING PARCELLED OUT TO FNLA UNITS AS ADVISORS. ACCORDING TO OUR SOURCE THEY ARE THE IMPETUS BEHIND THE MOVE OF FNLA'S MAIN BASE FROM KINKUZU IN ZAIRE TO QUIENDE IN ANGOLA.

2. WE HAVE SEEN A FEW WHITE, PORTUGUESE-SPEAKING SOLDIERS WITH FNLA IN LUSO, LUANDA AND CABINDA AND WITH THE OTHER MOVEMENTS IN VARIOUS LOCATIONS. HOWEVER, THIS IS THE FIRST INDICATION OF "LARGE NUMBERS" (OUR SOURCE WOULD NOT BE MORE SPECIFIC) GOING OVER AND IF SUFFICIENTLY DIFFUSED AND OBEYED, THEY COULD MAKE A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON FNLA'S HERETOFORE RATHER LACKLUSTER MILITARY PROWESS.

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3. WE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION LISBON OR KINSHASA

COULD PROVIDE ON THIS DEVELOPMENT.
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